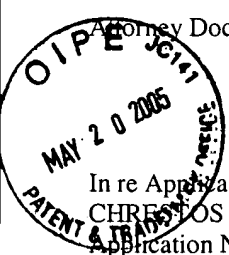


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In re Application Of:
CHRISTOS T. PYRROS
Application No.: 10/659,154
Confirmation No.: 3726
Filed On: September 10, 2003

Examiner: M. Zarroli

Art Unit: 2839

For: MULTIPLEX ELECTRICAL RECEPTACLE

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**REQUEST FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL**

Dear Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. ☐ Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.
- i. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Rely Brief previously filed on
- ii. ☐ Other
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☒ Other Petition for Three Month Extension of Time; Check for \$510 for petition fee

2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other

3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No.
- b. ☒ Check in the amount of \$ 385.00 enclosed
- c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED NOVEMBER 19, 2004
AS SUBMISSION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114

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Dear Sir:

This Reply is in response to the Final Office Action mailed November 19, 2004, rejecting all pending claims. The period of time to respond to the Final Office Action was set to expire on February 19, 2004. Applicant is filing herewith a Petition for Three Month Extension of Time. Accordingly, the time period for response is extended to May 19, 2004.

This Reply should be considered a submission in a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. 1.114 (see attached *Transmittal*). Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$395.00 to cover the cost of this request in accordance with §1.17(e). Reconsideration of the referenced application, including all pending claims, is respectfully requested in light of the amendments and remarks set forth below.

Amendments to the Specification are reflected on page 2.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.